

## INFORMATION PAPER

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SUBJECT: FAO In-Country Training Program - Pakistan

1. **PURPOSE:** To provide a summary of the FAO in-country training program and facilities available in Pakistan to assist in selection and preparation of replacement personnel. Projected in-country trainees should use the information provided to contact incumbent trainees and/or FAO supervisor as early as possible for more detailed information.

2. **FACTS:**

a. Summary of Program:

(1) Tour Length: 12-13 months.

(2) Normal Arrival/Departure Dates: Arrive Jan and depart Feb/Mar of the following year. Recommend FAOs arrive in Islamabad NLT 10 Jan to facilitate inprocessing at the embassy and to allow for limited travel prior to the start of the CSC course.

(3) Program Description: One FAO per year conducts ICT in Islamabad. The FAO attends the Pakistan Army Command and Staff College in Quetta (1500Km from Islamabad). Course dates are from late Jan through Dec. In-country/regional orientation and study are completed before and after the course.

(4) Prerequisites: CPT/MAJ; branch immaterial; Urdu language 2/2/2. Accompanied is strongly encouraged, but not required to support retention of FAO house (BOQ is unsuitable); CSC is conducted in English.

b. Transportation: FAOs are not authorized to ship a POV. There is a FAO vehicle on site for use during regional travel. This vehicle is government property and for official use only. It is *not* a substitute for personal transportation.

c. Household Goods: FAOs are authorized partial JFTR, since most major furnishings and appliances are already on station. FAOs will need to bring only personal items, clothing, decorative items to include wall hangings, kitchen and garden supplies, and certain entertainment items. Other items, which should be shipped, include a personal computer (with anti-virus software), and any baby- or child-related items. The incoming officer should coordinate with resident FAO for recommended items to bring as accompanied and unaccompanied baggage. The FAO is encouraged to make full use of the 1500-pound allowance for consumable goods to ship food and paper products.

d. Housing: The FAO has a dedicated two-bedroom house (0-6 Staff College quarters) furnished and maintained to U.S. standards by FAO funds.

e. Support Facilities:

(1) Medical: The AMEMB health clinic in Islamabad is staffed with a resident State Department doctor, a part time (Pakistani) pediatrician, and several American nurses. An adequate pharmacy exists, however, if FAO or family members require any special medications, FAO should hand-carry it with him. In Quetta, medical care is available at the Pakistan Army's Combined Military Hospital, and also at a small but adequate dispensary at the College. Serious medical situations are evacuated to Frankfurt, Germany. It is essential that FAO and family arrive without medical problems.

(2) Dependent Schooling: Iqra Army school at the Staff College teaches in English from K-12. There is also an excellent lower/middle school in town.

(3) PX/Commissary: The embassy operates a small cooperative at the Islamabad and Karachi compounds. Commissary orders are routinely shipped by air to Quetta from the Islamabad commissary on a monthly basis.

(4) APO: A full service APO is available at the embassy.

f. Language Instruction Availability: Tutors are available.

g. Rating Chain:

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**3. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

a. Bring AOC, CAS3, and CGSC materials.

b. FAO will normally conduct Urdu training at FSI Washington for approximately six months prior to ICT.

c. Regional Travel Priorities:

(1) Priority One: Pakistan (all four provinces, and Gilgit Agency and Azad Kashmir), India

(2) Priority Two: Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, and Nepal

(3) Priority Three: Central Asian Republics, Burma, Maldives, Afghanistan, and China.

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